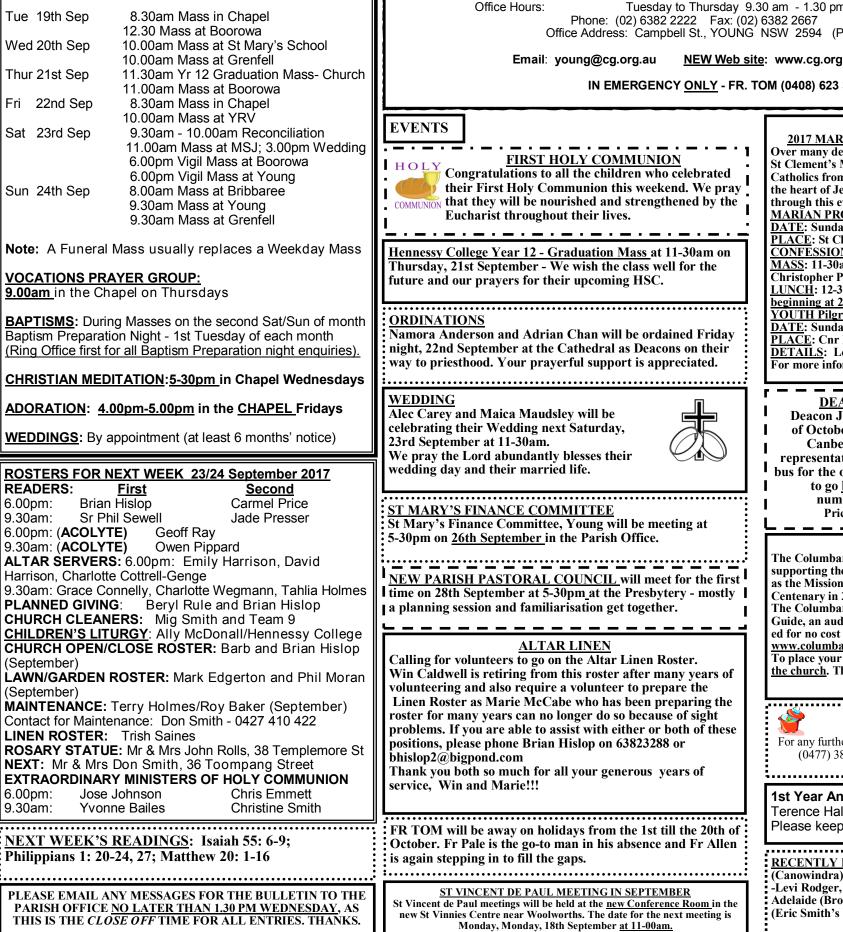
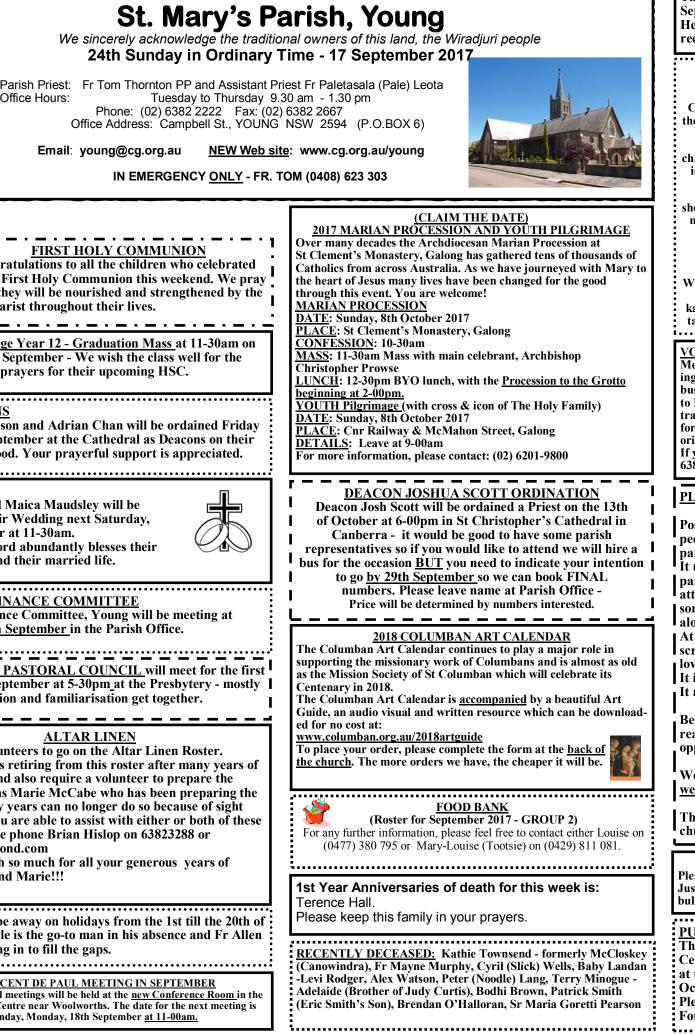
OPEN CHURCH - Parishioners can enter the body of the church any time for prayer during daylight hours through the main glass doors at the back of the Church.

WEEKDAY MASSES





The next <u>Mercy Associates Meeting</u> is on Monday, 18th September at 11-00am in the Parish Centre where some Hennessy College students will do a presentation on their recent Cambodia trip to the group.

> MERCY WALK FOR WOMEN SUNDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER 2017

We will start our walk this year at the intersection of the Cunningar Road and Campbellfields Road, Boorowa (the same as the 2016 event) finishing at St Clement's Monastery Galong, a walking distance of approximately 23 km.

Enjoying a beautiful morning tea along the way and lunch, champagne and nibblies at our destination. Mercy Walk for Women is an opportunity for women to walk and talk while raising much needed funds for Karinya House for Mothers and Babies. Mercy Walk for Women has helped Karinya House to provide shelter and residential support, food, clothing, outreach services and midwifery support for mothers and babies. 51% of the women of Karinya are homeless upon referral. Over 70% of women are moving away from family violence. (and yes, referrals do come from our local region as well).

Nomination Fee - \$40-00.

We strongly encourage you to fundraise and donate generously to this event. You can register online at: karinyahouse.asn.au/events/mercy-walk-women-2017/ or contact Teena McGrath on (0437) 272 000 for more information.

VOLUNTEER BUS DRIVER

Mercy Care Centre is seeking volunteer Bus Driver/s for transporting Hennessey Day Centre clients - Driving the day centre 16 seat bus (light rigid bus licence required) - this runs twice daily, Monday to Friday, with a Mercy staff member on board who assists with transporting clients to and from the centre. We would be grateful for offers to drive one or some of these bus routes. We provide orientation and training.

If you are interested, please contact Jane Parkman on 6382 8444 or JParkman@mercy.com.au

PLEBISCITE ON SAME-SEX MARRIAGE

Postal votes on this issue have been sent and it is essential that people have registered on the electoral roll to ensure participation in the postal vote.

It needs to be stressed that our love and care for people in our parishes, communities and neighbourhoods who are same-sex attracted is reaffirmed. This will be a vulnerable time for some and we need to reiterate once more that we are walking alongside each other in mutual respect.

At the same time, our acknowledgement of what is now described as traditional marriage (man and woman united in love and open to the possibility of children) be reaffirmed. It is <u>one of the greatest treasures humanity has yet produced</u>. It needs our fulsome support at this time of moral fluidity.

Before you cast your ballot it might help your thinking if you read the following to get the reasons behind the Church's opposition to this proposal.

We encourage everyone to visit The Coalition for Marriagewebsite:www.coalitionformarriage.com.au/

There is also a pamphlet available at the entrances to the church for you to take and read.

<u>WEBSITE</u> ease be advised that we now have our Website up and running. st go to: cg.org.au/young, and download view for the latest lletins.	
<u>UBLIC ROSARY RALLY</u> here will be a Public Rosary Rally held to celebrate the entenary of Our Lady of Fatima's Apparitions at Fatima.	

Centenary of Our Lady of Fatima's Apparitions at Fatima, at the Rotunda in Carrington Park on Saturday, 14th October 2017 at 10-00am. Please bring a chair/rug to sit on.

For further information, please ring Noelene on 6382 1118.